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Applicant(s): Chaves, et al.

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PETITION TO ACCEPT UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED CLAIM OF PRIORITY

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R §1.78(a)(6) for the acceptance of an unintentionally delayed claim of benefit of a prior filed provisional application under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) and under 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3) for the acceptance of an unintentionally delayed claim for the benefit of an copending non-provisional application under 35 U.S.C. § 120 for the above-referenced application.

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Applicant hereby declares that the entire delay between March 31, 2004, the date the claims were due, and filing of this petition was unintentional.

As required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(6)(i) and 1.78(a)(3)(i), the above-referenced application is being amended by preliminary amendment, filed on July 27, 2005, to provide the reference required by 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(5) and 35 U.S.C. § 120 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(2). The amendment submitted includes the priority claims as follows:

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/814,598, filed March 30, 2004, to Chaves et al., entitled OPTICAL DEVICE FOR LED-BASED LAMP, which claims the benefit under 35 U.S.C §119(e) of both provisional Application No. 60/470,691, filed May 13, 2003, to Miñano, entitled OPTICAL DEVICE FOR LED-BASED LIGHT-BULB SUBSTITUTE, and provisional Application No. 60/520,951, filed November 17, 2003, to Falicoff et al., entitled COLOR-MIXING COLLIMATOR, each being incorporated herein by reference in their entirety, and this application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/461,557, filed June 12, 2003, to Miñano, et al., entitled OPTICAL DEVICE FOR LED-BASED LIGHT-BULB SUBSTITUTE, which claims the benefit under 35 U.S.C §119(e) of provisional Application No. 60/470,691, filed May 13, 2003, to Miñano, entitled OPTICAL DEVICE FOR LED-BASED LIGHT-BULB SUBSTITUTE, each being incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1616 in the amount of \$1,370.00 to cover the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(6)(ii) and set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(t) for the acceptance for an unintentionally delayed claim for prior filed provisional application. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required with respect to this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1616.

Should Examiner require additional information regarding this petition, please contact the undersigned below.

Respectfully submitted,

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